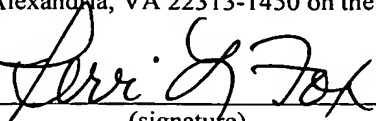


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The relevance of the publication is discussed in Applicant's specification at page 1. The relevance of the Great Britain reference 2 352 754 is discussed in Applicant's specification at page 2. Each of the Foreign Patent Document references was cited in a European Standard Search Report with respect to the European application from which priority is claimed. A copy of the Report is enclosed.

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